(ख) से (च) भारत में औद्योगिक रुग्णता की चुनौतियों का सामना करने के लिए रचनात्मक पुनर्गठन हेतु एक अनुवर्तनीय रिपोर्ट प्रस्तुत करने के लिए श्री ओंकार गोस्वामी की अध्यक्षता में एक समिति गठित की गई थी। इस समिति ने जुलाई, 1993 में अपनी रिपोर्ट प्रस्तुत कर दी है जो सरकार के विचाराधीन है।

Purchase of Products manufactured by MNCs in Preference to small sector Production

1486. PROF VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Ministries/Departments are purchasing the Hindustan Lever's Surf and Vim for use in Government offices, hospitals, railways, etc. when ISI specification 'detergents' and 'cleaning powder' made by small scale industries at much less the price than Surf and Vim are available, thereby promoting the interests of the multi-national companies at the cost of the small scale industries in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken to advise Government offices, hospitals, railways to stop purchasing multinational companies' products in preference to products of Indian companies in small sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) Government has reserved 409 items for exclusive purchase from Small Scale Industry sector through DGS&D. "Detergent" is not included in the list. It may be mentioned that detergent is also not reserved for exclusive manufacture in SSI sector.

If the products of SSI units satisfy the standards and norms laid down under the BIS and if they are cheaper than the products of MNCs, it is expected that the Government Departments will buy these products through their normal purchase procedure.

Though "Cleaning Powder" is reserved for exclusive purchase from small scale sector, the Government have not received complaints from small scale units containing the allegations that any Government Department has purchased produts of Hindustan Lever by ignoring the claim of any particular SSI unit.

Restoration of power to Tannery and Footwear Corpration of India

1487. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the power connection has not been restored back to Tannery and Footwear Corporation of India Limited to maintain the rate of production in its factories;

(b) whether the company is neither accepting the orders nor honouring the orders for which commitments had already been made;

(c) whether Government would take immediate steps to restore back the power to the company in the interest of workers and consumers; and

(d) if so, the facts and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Yes, Sir. The power connection to TAFCO factories have not been restored by